



Karen Borchardt

“Karen is a person who recognizes that many times the true success of a volunteer project is borne by those who actually get out and do the necessary legwork while expecting nothing in return.” She has been trained and recognized as a Certified Tourism Ambassador (CTA) at Milwaukee County’s Mitchell International Airport. She can frequently be found at Wilson Park Senior Center setting up and serving lunch. As a lifetime member of the Oak Creek Historical Society, Karen assists with annual fundraisers, fall festivals, spring clean-ups and rummage sales. She is a strong supporter of and dedicated volunteer for the American Lung Association. In addition to serving in the bakery area at Polish Fest she has been actively involved in the annual Easter breakfast and lunch for the children at the Oak Creek Community Center. Karen has enjoyed working with the Channel 10/36 auction where she has prepared items for bid and staged tables. In 2000, she was recognized as Public Radio’s Volunteer of the Year and was elected as a state delegate to the National Education Association Council that same year. Over the years, Karen has been a frequent competitor in the Senior Olympics and won numerous awards while participating in a wide range of events from biking and running to shot put and high jump. “To know her is to know a person who is sincerely generous with her time and talents.”

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